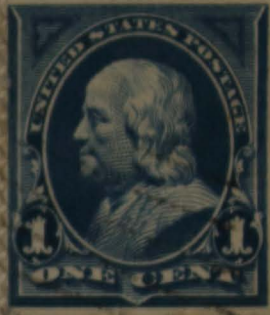
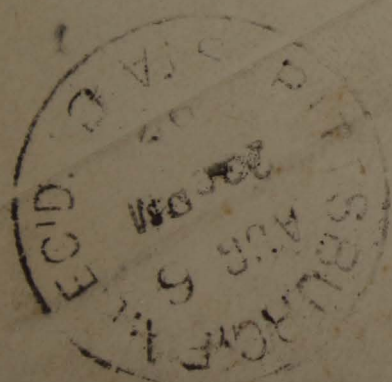
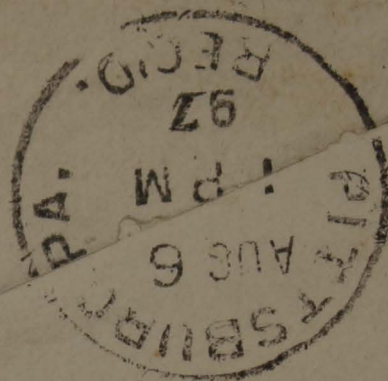


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Miss Edith Hazell
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Charland D.

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My darling! -

Your very
welcome letter was received
Monday morn. at 8. and
found me at the wash tub
doing a two weeks wash
I was ^{100% lock} tired out when
through, for I scrubbed two
flights of stairs, and kitchen
bath room, and everything that
needed it. put fire in stove
on wash days, for St. makes
me to save gas, as she pays
gas bill. she had her fine
white dress, 2 waists, and etc four
white skirts, shirts, etc the more

ing stayed me out today but
will finish tomorrow. It was
gone just one week camping.
I don't know who she was
with although she said a
girl friend and her she worked
just the same and went out
every eve from store on her
wheel. She said something
several times about the boys.
She went in bathing night
and morning. She is home
this week and expects to
go to Dover Ohio to that
summer resort next week
for a week at least and
maybe longer.
So ma will

3.
not return to C till we send
for her she says since Browns
hired girl has left she is
taking her place and she
sent F^d to home saying that
is what she required for her
week's labor, she is doing
considerable sewing for them.
I think it would be real
nice for you to go down there
very body would love to see
you, but I shall not for
two is plenty, but I do
want to see you so bad.

next eve at 4³⁰.
well I finished the morning
and am pretty tired for I am
not well. I have those hated

had aches, dizzies and black
 specks before my eyes. and, etc.
 Well about Kate buying
 groceries she is very close
 thrifty enough to keep from
 starving and gets some very
 fine "narrow" loaf of rye bread,
 qt of berries, & pound of cheese.
 that is all. if it had not
 been for me sending that money
 home I don't know what I
 should have done and I pay
 life insurance every two weeks
 out of that and I bought a $\frac{1}{2}$
 lb. of butter the other day and
 $\frac{1}{2}$ peck of potatoes the first that
 has been in the house since
me has left which is four or five

5.
weeks ago today. R. you know
don't eat either of butter so don't
buy them, the week she went
camping I had a few little
things. I had to get them or
starve for I got so ~~much~~ meat,
the first week or two after we
went I stayed over to be for
R would not give me any
thing to eat but I was to come
home on Monday's and do her
washing and ironing and I did
not pay me ^a cent for doing it
and one day I washed and
ironed for her with only a
loaf of rye bread and that
apple butter in house. and
one Sunday morn I came

home about 6 o'clock from A-
 and she had gone to Detroit on
 Saturday and did not return
 till Monday eve - and she knew
 I was coming home and there
 was not a thing in house to eat
 from Sunday morn - till Monday
 eve only I found a nickel and
 bought 2 doz cakes. her & ma
 wanted me to stay over at A's
 all the time. K - wanted the house
 all to her self which A. & L. & I
 all think very strange and she
 even wanted to know just
what nights I would be home.
 so she thought she would
 starve me out. A. & L. think
 it awful. A. said he would

not pay the rent unless she
give me all I wanted to eat
and I told her "for A. said to,"
and she says she wont go
near them. and before A. would
pay the rent I had to tell him
to be and say I had plenty
to eat. A. said also that
he was not going to board me
and pay rent to and Ichi
I helped I all I could in
every way and A. said I did
not help a damn and I
heard him and did not
say one word and here they
let me as if they wanted
me so bad to stay nights for
she has not been left alone for

the past two months, but I die
 there can be her mother & sisters
 there at one time for several days
 at time and any thing is all
 right. I am only going over after
 rent after this and went stay
 for a meal.

Last week I had company
 every night unexpected every
 night to and the Thursday
 I went down street to
 mail your letter was gone about
 1/2 hour and when I came back
 there had been 3 gentlemen
 calling on me. The lady down
 stairs said they left their cards
 and message on back of them
 one owns a commission house

and the other my dry good cask.
 Mr Atkins. I have not
 seen or wrote as they wanted
 me to do, or have going to.

Thier was up last Wednesday
 and talks of going to Alaska.
 no I can't tell you on paper
 what he said, but personally.
 Jim J. is still in existence.
 and I hear is asking after
 me and wants to see me.
 Senor the great skater of
 Ohio I met him last winter
 he was asking Thier after me
 and wants my address.

Good night. Morning.
 Tell Jim he received a letter
 from L. S. H. and he likes

no friends I can stay with
but will put me in a
Seminary and can make
music my main study
and I dont know what to
do, no K. wont can tell me
what state I am to go to until
I say & promise I will go.
With I think I would
like to be in Pitts with you
but where would I board?
I wish you & I could go to another
city and both work. Dont you?
dont say a word about anything
I have wrote, K. got a new waister & is
making it like sample, I have not got
that bared linen for wash stand yet, K. has
stand in her room. write soon & often.
Your too & ever wooty J.

And say you
were here instead
of K. we would
have some good
times, without
me dear. write
often for I
get lonesome!

I can you
read this
letter? excuse
me this time.
Please.

I have given
myself this
shakes' angel
signature all night
it so and when